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M. Elise Lane**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of

Docket No.: PNC-004

MERRIL et al.

Group Art Unit: 1616

Application No.: 09/835,537

Examiner: A. Pryor

Filed: April 16, 2001

Title: METHODS OF TREATING PRION DISEASE IN MAMMALS

**RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION DATED 10/02/2007**

Commissioner of Patents  
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Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

October 31, 2007

Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated October 2, 2007, please reconsider the above-captioned application for allowance in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are made in the **Listing of Claims** beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.